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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: : Masatoshi Imai
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Application No. : 10/072,506
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Filing Date : February 5, 2002
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For : SORT PROCESSING METHOD AND SORT PROCESSING
: APPARATUS

Examiner : Cam Linh T. Nguyen
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Confirmation No. : 2876
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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Action mailed July 14, 2006, please amend the above identified application as follows: